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SUBJECT: PRESS SUMMARY - FEBRUARY 27

1. NYT (PAGE 1) JOHN CREWDSON REPORTS FBI HAS HALTED OVER LAST 10 YEARS ITS EFFORTS TO TRACK DOWN UNDERCOVER AGENTS OF SOVIET AND OTHER COMMUNIST INTELLIGENCE SERVICES AND ESTIMATES OF NUMBERS PLACED HERE HAS BEEN AS HIGH AS 200.

2. NYT (PAGE 3) CHRISTOPHER WREN REPORTS ON CEAUSESCU CALL FOR "NEW UNITY" AND DAVID SHIPLER SAYS THAT TUCKED AMONG HIGH-SOUNDING SLOGANS OF SELF-CONGRATULATION WHICH DOMINATE SPEECHES AT PARTY CONGRESS ARE JUICY GIBLETS OF SELF-CRITICISM THAT REVEAL COMMUNIST PARTY AS SOMETIMES STUMBLING BUREAUCRACY.

3. WP (PAGE 1) GEORGE WILSON REPORTS DOD'S DIRECTOR OF RESEARCH AND ENGINEERING, DR. MALCOLM CURRIE, IN PRESS CONFERENCE SAID SOVIET UNION AND THIRD WORLD WILL MAKE THE WORLD "A MORE UNSAFE PLACE" TO LIVE IN THE FUTURE AND THAT UNLIKE U.S., SOVIET LEADERS DO NOT LOOK UPON NUCLEAR WAR AS UNTHINKABLE AND ARE PREPARING TO SURVIVE ONE BECAUSE "THEY FEEL STRATEGIC WAR IS INEVITABLE."
ALSO SUN.

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4. WP (PAGE 1) REUTERS REPORTS DEPARTMENT SENT DOCTOR TO ITS MOSCOW EMBASSY TO TRY TO DETERMINE WHETHER TWO CASES OF LYMPHATIC CANCER AND ONE OF ANEMIA ARE RELATED TO SOVIET MICROWAVES BEAMED AT THE BUILDING.

5. WP (PAGE 10) DUSKO DODER REPORTS FROM BELGRADE THAT EAST EUROPE LAGS SOVIETS IN FULFILLING PLEDGES TO DROP BARRIERS IN CSCE FINAL ACT.

6. WP (PAGE 11) PETER OSNOS SAYS MOSCOW'S FACE LIFT FAILS TO BRIGHTEN TEDIOUS PARTY CONGRESS.

7. WP (PAGE 11) REPORTS FROM MOSCOW THAT SOVIET'S TOP SCIENTIST, ANATOLY ALEXANDROV, SCOFFED AT WESTERN DESCRIPTIONS OF SAKHAROV AS THE FATHER OF THE SOVIET HYDROGEN BOMB.

8. WP (PAGE 18) BRIEF ITEM FROM PARIS REPORTS THIRD AND LAST VOLUME OF SOLZHENITSYN'S "GULAG ARCHIPELAGO" PUBLISHED THERE IN RUSSIAN.

9. WP (PAGE 19) REPORTS ASSISTANT SECRETARY OF AGRICULTURE, RICHARD BELL SAID SOVIETS APPARENTLY ARE INTERESTED IN PURCHASING UP TO 3.7 MILLION MORE METRIC TONS OF GRAIN FROM U.S. STOCKS SOON. ALSO STAR.

10. WP (OP-ED PAGE) VICTOR ZORZA'S "PEEKING IN ON THE KREMLIN" SAYS THE POLITBURO PROPOSES BUT THE CENTRAL COMMITTEE DISPOSES AND GOES ON TO SAY THAT IF INEXORABLE PATTERN OF ADVANCING YEARS AMONG CENTRAL COMMITTEE MEMBERS -- NOW AVERAGING 66 YEARS -- IS NOT REVERSED AT THIS CONGRESS, THE SOVIET LEADERSHIP WILL EITHER CRUMBLE FROM OLD AGE OR BE BLOWN UP BY HEAD OF STEAM BUILDING UP AMONG YOUNGER ASPIRANTS BELOW AND ZORZA'S VIEW IS THAT FAILING OVERDUE REJUVENATION, RULE OF KREMLIN GERONTOCRACY WILL END WITH BANG NOT A WHIMPER.

11. SUN (PAGE 2) HENRY TREWHITT SAYS 25TH PARTY CONGRESS IS GOING ABOUT AS EXPECTED AND THIS IN AMERICAN JUDGMENT HARDLY ANY COMFORT FOR BREZHNEV HAS PROMISED UNREMITTING UNCLASSIFIED

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PRESSURE ON THE GLOBAL POSITION OF THE U.S.

12. SUN (PAGE 2) AP FROM MOSCOW SAYS AMERICAN AND SOVIET OFFICIALS ARE WORKING TOWARD AN AGREEMENT THAT WOULD LOWER THE INTENSITY OF MICROWAVE RADIATION BEAMS BEING DIRECTED AT EMBASSY ACCORDING TO INFORMED SOURCES. ALSO WSJ.

13. WSJ (PAGE 7) REPORTS FROM PARIS ITT SUBSIDIARY
THERE IS CONCLUDING CONTRACT WITH SOVIETS CALLING FOR
CONSTRUCTION IN USSR OF PLANT TO PRODUCE ELECTRONIC
SWITCHING GEAR FOR ONE MILLION TELEPHONE LINES A YEAR.

14. CSM (PAGE 7) BRIEF REUTERS ITEM FROM WASHINGTON
SAYS SOVIET DIPLOMATS HAVE 8,865 PARKING TICKETS WHICH
IF PAID WOULD TOTAL OVER \$44,000.

15. CSM (PAGE 2) MINI-BRIEF SAYS FOUR FRENCH PSYCHIATRY
ASSOCIATIONS SETTING UP INTERNATIONAL MEDICAL COMMISSION
TO STUDY SOVIET INTERNMENT PROCEDURES IN SOVIET PSYCHIA-
TRIC HOSPITALS.

16. CSM (PAGE 3) REPORTS ON PRAVDA COMMENT ON NEW
HAMPSHIRE.

17. CSM (PAGE 4) GUY HALVERSON SAYS PENTAGON NOW IS
PINPOINTING A RISING SOVIET MILITARY SPENDING THAT, IT
SAYS, WILL RESULT IN CLEAR SOVIET MILITARY SUPERIORITY
BY 1980S UNLESS U.S. EQUALS IT. INGERSOLL

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